

Open Doors
 United Methodist Church
 Of Blue Eye
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*Thanks to all who help make this newsletter happen.

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Pastor's Column

Autumn starts the 23rd of this month. Where did the summer go? Peg and I bought the two park pass (Silver Dollar City & White Water) and I have yet to enter White Water. I do go to Silver Dollar City enough to make the pass worth while but how time flies when you have an active church. We are small in number but don't let that fool you, we have an active agenda. Almost every month was a major event. This month it is a group called "Blessed" and I really don't know what to expect. There is more about them in the newsletter. They will be at Kimberling City UMC Wednesday night, Sept. 16 and with us on Thursday night Sept., 17. We also need 3 to 4 host families to take them in for Thursday night, make breakfast and a sack lunch to send them on their way to the next church.

Why is it important for us to host a group that has already ministered to a church so near? Because God opens doors to us to hear His word in many ways. We had the "Sons of the Silver Dollar" this summer and they really blessed us with their music. I expect this group will also bless us with good Christian music and message and four families will have an opportunity to be blessed even more by having them stay with them. We need to spread the word to Branson-Hollister area about our Thursday Night Concert. We will advertise but the best advertisement is word of mouth. Just tell people about our event and invite them to come!

We are also going to have a fun event on September 23 -The Beginning of Fall- an outdoor cookout with a bonfire (the big brush pile behind the parsonage). Choir will be at 5:30 that night and a cookout (hot dogs, mostly) will follow with camp songs, telling stories, sharing, marshmallows and just enjoy what I hope will be a great night out! The brush pile is big enough to be seen for miles (hopefully Blue Eye fire department won't think there is a fire). But it would be fun to have them show up!

And finally, an outside worship and potluck on September 27 at the RV park at the end of UU. Gary and Debbie Herрман work there and we are working through them to be in the pavillion for worship and potluck. Pray for a great day! We will start to shuttle people down at 9:45 and worship at 10:30 a.m.- potluck to follow. Most of you can leave your cars at church then people will think we are inside while really we are outside having a great time worshipping our God!

Mark these events on your calendar. We are small but we are great in spirit!

Pastor Jack



Scriptures for the Month of September

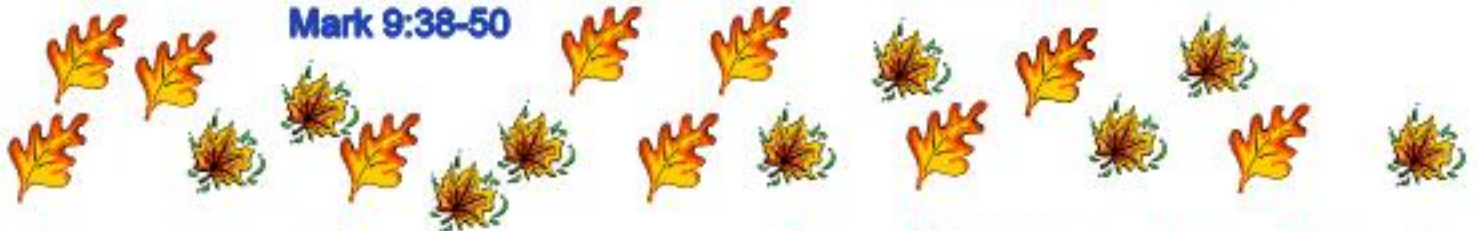
Sunday, Sept. 6: Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-10, (11-13), 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

Sunday, Sept. 13: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

Sunday, Sept. 20: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54; James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

Sunday, Sept. 27: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Psalm 19:7-14; James 5:13-20;

Mark 9:38-50



New Member

Marcia Siefkes has been coming to this church for quite some time now. On August 2 she decided to join.

Marcia will be temporarily leaving us soon. She goes to California during the winter and will return sometime in April.

Please welcome her as a new member and let her know how much we love her.



Friendship International Presents "Blessed"

An unforgettable music and missions event is coming to our church!

Blessed is a ministry of Friendship International Ministries, an American based mission organization in Colorado Springs, CO, which works primarily in Chile, South America, Hungary, Romania and the UK.

This is a Trio of young adults coming to us directly from Chile. *Blessed* is an extremely talented group. This is their premier American tour. The concert will focus on the amazing way God is working around the world to accomplish His purpose and that He wants all of us, as His children to be involved.

Many who have heard *Blessed* have commented that it was truly a "breath of fresh air", "full of energy" and a "shining light" to those who are searching for hope and peace in the midst of their stress and despair.

The purpose of *Blessed* is to be an encouragement and challenge to their listening

audience. So invite friends and family and come on out

Thursday, September 17.

A potluck meal will be served at 6:00 then the concert begins at 7:00.

A Free Will Offering will be taken at the end of the concert.

Missions

We will continue to collect disposable diapers (3's, 4's and 5's) and baby wipes. We also need shampoo, toothpaste, and sanitary napkins.

Please bring them to church or you can make a donation in the offering and we will buy the supplies. Thanks!!



New Sign



A new sign is on the way. Due to a special promotion we are able to get the same sign we looked at last year for less cost. The price was \$20,486.30 but this year it is \$16,029.00. That is a savings of \$4,457.30!! This is a full color digital sign and the Lord has blessed us for waiting until now because the total sign has been paid for by special donations. This is the completion of our building project that started two years ago in October of 2013. God has blessed us and been good to us during this whole project. And He has a great future waiting for us as we use the facility we have now.

Praise the Lord, it is an exciting time!!

Parsonage Landscaping

After the Prayer Breakfast on Sept. 12 we will begin to relandscape the parsonage front side. Everything has been trimmed back so we can get at the rock and begin to spruce up the front!!

We will work again on Sat., Sept. 26 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. to plant new bushes and finish the landscaping project.

Come with rakes, shovels, hoes and most of all let's have fun making our parsonage look great.

We may also need to replace some of the siding especially in front. We have the siding from the front of the church and it is in good shape as we were careful when we took it off. God seems to keep opening doors and it is such a blessing to see the results He leads us to.

Thanks be to God for His great love and patience with us!!



FACEBOOK
OPEN DOORS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BLUE EYE Facebook page. You can get information and see the upcoming events if you don't have your calendar handy. PLEASE if you have facebook find us and "like" our page. Feel free to post things about our church and information you might have as well. You can also get information on our WEBSITE : www.blueeyemc.com

Movie Night

Movie Night has been a great success. We have already seen many great movies and there are many more to come. Be sure and come on out for some great food, fun and fellowship. This month's movies are "When the Game Stands Tall" and "Left Behind World at War". They will be showing Tuesday, Sept. 8 and Fri. Sept. 25.

Parsonage Update

In July we started updating the parsonage. The inside upstairs is done, with the carpet being restretched as well. So, the main floor is looking good except that the sliding door needs attention. July saw the east side cleaned up outside and in August we did the west side. Now in September we need to relandscape the outside so help is still needed.

Also, it has been discussed about using the parsonage for extended ministry. This would mean making it open to designated groups. We are considering making two bedrooms in the basement with a large family room and updating that bathroom to include a shower.

The parsonage is a great asset to the church for extended type ministries. Let us pray that the Lord will lead us to do those ministries!!



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If you have an address of someone who you think would like to receive this newsletter please give that information to the church office, church secretary or pastor.

We would like to increase the number of people who receive our publication.

Thank You!

MINISTRY IS HAPPENING!!!

We have many committees and teams working to bring a well rounded ministry to our church. Thanks to those who are willing to serve. If you would like to be on a committee or team please contact a member of those teams or committees, they would love to have you join them.

Secretary's New Workstation

When we moved into the new offices we were able to use most of the old furniture. In fact, J.D. did such a good job redoing the pastor's furniture that it looks brand new and is quite functional.

The secretary's furniture was fine but not functional and for the most part had her back to the window and entry which is not good when she was here alone. She now has a new U-shaped workstation that is really functional for all her work. It gives her more room and has her facing the right direction as well. The great part of this project is that it is paid for by extra donations. Thanks be to God!!



Congratulations

Sean and Heidi Phillips
united in marriage at Open
Doors United Methodist
Church on August 22, 2015.
May God Bless Your Marriage



Prayer Breakfast

The first Saturday of the month has been changed from Men's Breakfast to "Prayer Breakfast" which will include all people. Its goal is to have a good fellowship breakfast followed by prayer time to pray for God's guidance for His church. We will pray for each other and for the workings of our church. It will be an intentional time to stop, pray, listen and receive God's message for His people. Come join us! Prayers strengthens the church and its power to do ministry.

This month it will be the second Saturday,
Sept. 12 at 8:15!!

Greeters

Sept. 6: Charles Julian
Helen Feuz

Sept. 13: Pat Bangert

Sept. 20: Debra Tompkins

Sept. 27: Clair & Beverly
Gunther

Welcome Center Hosts

Sept. 6: J.D. Settles

Sept. 13: Deloris Bryant

Sept. 20: Bob & Debbie
Lyon

Sept 27: Campgrounds

Mission Thank You

Your recent generous gifts of paper products to Christian Associates of Table Rock Lake Domestic Violence Shelter was greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your willingness to help women and children in our community make such a difference in their lives. Again, thank you for all you do for our women and children and your commitment to our cause.

Sincerely,
Yvonne Sawyer,
Advocate @ CATRL

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Office Hours 9-5 "Card Group" outing to the Floating Cafe	3	4 Office Hours 9-5	5
6 Communion Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30	7 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30	8 Movie Night 7:00 "When The Game Stands Tall"	9 Office Hours 9-5 Trustees Meeting 2:30 Choir 6:30	10	11 Office Hours 9-5	12 Prayer Breakfast 8:15 Parsonage Work Day
13 Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30	14 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30	15	16 Office Hours 9-5 Choir 6:30	17 "Blessed" Concert Potluck 6:00 Concert 7:00	18 Office Hours 9-5	19
20 BLUE SUNDAY Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 Church Council 11:45	21 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30	22	23 Office Hours 9-5 Choir 5:30 Bonfire Cookout 6:30	24	25 Office Hours 9-5 Movie Night 7:00 "Left Behind World At War"	26 Parsonage Work Day 9-4
27 Shuttle 9:45 Worship Time 10:30 Potluck at Campgrounds	28 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30	29	30 Office Hours 9-5 Choir 6:30			



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Katie Jensen Makayla Blake Tom Kutzner	2	3 Ivan & Kathy Reimer	4	5
6	7	8 Jack Mielke	9	10 Bob Bell	11	12 Dennis Thompson Dave & Sharon Gilliam
13 Jim Perkin	14	15 Henry & Ruth Ann Finck	16	17 Steve Fennema	18	19
20	21 Michaela Fransen	22 Mike & Jessica Eckerle	23 Susie Bouchey Warren & Marilyn Samuelson	24	25	26
27	28	29 Jeff Sletto	30			